

AMSOUTH BANK,  
*Plaintiff,*  
v.  
DR. WILLIAM E. BLALOCK III, *et al.*,  
*Defendants and Third-Party*  
*Plaintiffs,*  
v.  
JEFFREY K. WILLIS, *et al.*,  
*Third-Party Defendants.*

Defendants Jeffery K. Willis, Willis Automotive Group, Inc, Willis Manufacturing, Inc., and Avantech Manufacturing, LLC filed a Motion to Consolidate [Court Doc. 100] asking the Court to consolidate this action with two cases also filed in this court involving the same Defendants (1:07-cv-33 and 1:07-cv-212). The Court referred [Court Doc. 109] the Motion to Consolidate to Magistrate Judge William B. Mitchell Carter for a report and recommendation on whether the court should consolidate the three cases.

After reviewing the record, the Court agrees with Magistrate Judge Carter's report and recommendation. The Court thus **ACCEPTS** and **ADOPTS** the findings of fact,

conclusions of law, and recommendations contained in Magistrate Judge Carter's report and recommendation [Court Doc. 115] pursuant to § 636(b)(1) and Rule 72(b).

Accordingly, Defendants' Motion to Consolidate [Court Doc. 100] is **DENIED**.

SO ORDERED this 10th day of December, 2007.

/s/Harry S. Mattice, Jr.  
HARRY S. MATTICE, JR.  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE